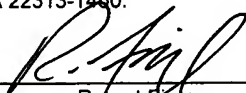


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SECOND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner for a second one-month extension of time for responding to the Office Action dated October 28, 2005, extending the period of response from February 28, 2006 to March 28, 2006 (a Petition for a first one-month extension was filed on January 27, 2006).

A check in the amount of \$165 in payment of the difference between the first and second month extension fee is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1853 during the pendency of prosecution of this application.

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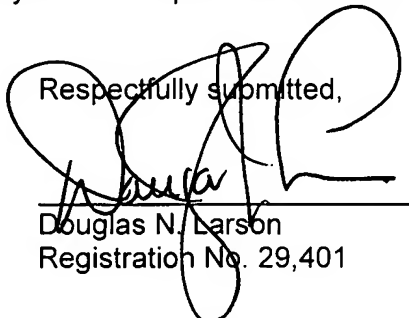
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